

JOHN BULL WINS
AS STANDPATTERHouses Unchanged by the
Recent Election.

ASQUITH IN TRIUMPH

Unionists Elect One Member on
Last Day of Polls.Coming Out from What Was Re-
garded as a Most Momentous
Crisis with the People Unchanged
in Their Views Toward Parlia-
ment, Premier and Coalition
Score Signal Victory.

London, Dec. 17.—John Bull finished making a record to-day of the fact that he does not alter his political opinions within the short space of a single year. That is really about all he has to say as to the result of the farcical unnecessary election which has just finished with the election of a Unionist in St. Andrew's district, giving the coalition a majority of one. He could not have expressed himself with more remarkable clarity. He returns to the House of Commons adjusted almost to a hair's breadth to the same political proportions, but he manages at the same time to rebuke those who compelled him to make a superfluous use of the franchise by substantially reducing their popular majority throughout the country.

A short month ago the leaders on both sides and the entire press of the country agreed that Great Britain was plunging into the most momentous constitutional crisis of this generation, and that the most vital interests of the empire were involved in the outcome. It looked at that moment as though Premier Asquith and his coalition, following the failure of the conference for the reform of the House of Lords, would secure substantial additions to its strength which would enable it to carry out the most radical schemes of constitutional revision.

Sudden Change Evidenced.
Then, voting to the prompt Unionist proposals of genuine reform of the upper house, there came such a sudden change in the aspect of the situation that the shrewdest observers on both sides were convinced that a great reaction was in progress.

Never was apparent confusion worse confounded and never did the British or any other electorate keep its head more calmly. It refused to relieve its representatives of any of their recently conferred responsibilities for governing the country. To-day's result, but closely plainly to take up the task which is no more difficult here than in France or Germany. Parliamentary government is also by groups. "Democracy is not in danger; it is only the business of administering the government." That is England's cool, unperturbed message to Mr. Asquith and his associates in the past fortnight's polling.

First and foremost, its effect will be sobering on both sides. It will call a halt to the fierce extremes of a struggle which has developed un-English features of bitterness and method. It will bring an immediate manifestation of one of John Bull's less familiar but closely inherent characteristics, a final compromise in a useless or losing quarrel. No political embroglio ever offered a better opportunity. Mr. Asquith can triumph in his policy in the new Parliament in only one way, that is, by the veto bill by closure in the House of Commons, followed by the creation of 500 peers and the coincident passage of a home-rule bill. This programme must be carried out under the menace of the Irish Nationalist whip.

Ambition of Asquith.
But Mr. Asquith's whole object in going to the country was the hope of ridding himself of the Nationalists' humiliating domination. Moreover, he or any leader would shrink from the creation of 500 peers and the spectacle of an assembly of lords resembling a mass meeting. The idea before it could be carried out would become revolting to the entire country.

On the other hand, nothing could be easier or more practical now than a quiet understanding with the opposition, whereby the administration could be carried on by the Nationalists, and the Nationalists deprived of the power of upsetting the government during the interval. It is more than probable that some basis of genuine reform of the lords may be hit upon which will preserve a second chamber, however democratically constituted, of real power.

Such is the spirit of the English political world at the present moment. Practical developments cannot be expected till some time after the Christmas holidays. No one is, of course, entitled to venture any definite forecasts, but there is no mistaking the tendency of events.

POPE WILL MAKE PROTEST.

Catholic Sovereigns Asked Not to
Attend Italian Unity Jubilee.
Rome, Dec. 17.—At a consistory to be held early in March, the Pope will deliver an important allocution of protest at the loss of temporal power and territorial integrity by the holy see. He will solemnly reaffirm the imprescriptible rights of the holy see in Rome. The allocation will notify Catholic sovereigns and heads of state not to visit Rome during the jubilee celebration of Italian unity, 1911. The Austrian, Spanish, and Belgian governments have formally assured the Vatican on this point.

It is not thought that any state diplomatically represented at the Vatican will disregard the protest, which is merely intended to guard against the possibility of the holy see's silence being interpreted as tacit consent to the present situation.

Will Take Aeroplane Census.
Paris, Dec. 17.—The French government has already taken a census of all the horses and automobiles in France so that it can requisition their services in case of war, and it is now drawing up a law to provide for a census of aeroplanes so that it will be able to call upon the monoplanes and biplanes in the country if the need arises.

81.25 to Baltimore and Return
To-day via Baltimore and Ohio R. R.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia—
Fair and warmer to-day; to-
morrow unsettled; light to mod-
erate southerly winds.

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

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1—John Bull a Standpatter.
McLean Quits Race for Senate.
Pebble Victims Still Missing.
Taft Fears Wars Will Continue.
2—Testimonial for J. H. Small, Jr.
Women Plan Big Jubilee.
3—Donors to Charity in Washington.
4—Cannon Assaults Wilson's Stand.
5—Edge for Schedule Revision.
6—Editorial.
7—President's Speech at Banquet.
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10—No Change in Clerks' Hours.
Knotts Prepare to Gain Freedom.
Fears for Missing Wife.
11—News of Alexandria.
12—Six Shopping Days Left.

PART TWO.

In the World of Society.
Suburban Social Notes.
News of the Auto World.
The Theaters for Next Week.
New York Dramatic Gossip.
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PART THREE.

The Optimist Corner.
Health and Beauty Hints.
Notes from Bingville.

MAGAZINE SECTION.

Father of the Granger Roads.
Chief Justice White and Predecessors.
Kaiser's Ban on Alcohol.

Dictionary Makes Good Reading.
Former Millionaire a Convict.
Police on Secret Mission.
Ideals of Henry George.

REAL ESTATE SECTION.

SPORTING SECTION.

MIDDY LOSES LEAVE.

Demerits Added as Punishment for
Intoxication.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 17.—That the use of liquor by midshipmen must cease, as evidenced by the punishment meted out to-day by Supt. Bowyer, of the Naval Academy, in the case of Paul A. Stevens, of Delaware, a third classman, who was found in an intoxicated condition on Saturday.

Stevens has been assigned 100 demerits, deprived of all liberty privileges allowed a midshipman, for one year, including also the loss of next year's September leave. This latter vacation is allowed following the annual summer cruise, and is to be deprived of it is harder than any other punishment that could be inflicted against a midshipman. Stevens has already escaped dismissal.

Not only was a clear case made out against this one lad, but the investigating board examined a large number of midshipmen, and secured a mass of evidence, showing that the middies experienced no difficulty in procuring intoxicating liquors at least at one hotel in Annapolis, and had been announced that action in the matter will be taken through the civil courts.

REBEL VICTORIES

ROUSE MEXICANS

Search for Ammunition in

Chihuahua Begins.

DRASTIC ORDERS ARE ISSUED

Householders Owning Arms Must

Explain Why Munitions Are in

Their Possession—Fighting Con-

tinues in North, and It Reported

that Navarro Is Whipped.

El Paso, Dec. 17.—Stirred to action by

the rebel victories and the apparent

growth of the insurrecto forces, officials

of the state of Chihuahua took drastic

action to-day to prevent further desecra-

tions to Madero.

Every householder having arms or am-

munition must report at once to the

major of his village why they are in

his possession, says the order. Failure

to comply with the order will render the

offender liable to the penalty of death.

The order becomes effective at once,

and officials believe it will have much to

do with stamping out disloyalty in

doubtful villages and towns.

Reports have it that Gen. Navarro and

his command have been whipped. That

there has been further fighting there is

no doubt. To-day the Mexican govern-

ment had to permit the American Am-

bassador in Mexico City to deny the

reported capture of Guerrero by the fed-

erats. This was denied by El Paso dis-

patches as early as last Wednesday.

The day Mexico claimed the victory. Mexi-

can troops have never penetrated any

further than the vicinity of Padernales,

where the battle was fought last Sun-

day, and there has been further fighting

in that region since, but the losses are

not known.

Fighting Near Texas.

There has been fighting near Ojinaga,

south of Marfa, Tex. This is also con-

firmed. Many horses belonging to Mexi-

can troops escaped into Texas, and it is

believed that the federals were annihi-

lated, but reinforcements should have

arrived there last night or to-day, if

they were not defeated marching west-

ward from the Oriental Railroad station

at Palomero. They left Chihuahua last

Sunday for Palomero.

Troops sent out from Jimenez, the rail-

road junction point for the road lead-

ing to Parral, have not been heard from.

They were attempting to join Navarro's

force marching from Chihuahua.

Verifying the statement of his wife,

who is looking after the interests of the

Mexican revolutionists in Texas, comes

a statement from Francisco Madero,

through his wife, in which he says the

pronouncements, as the insurrectionists call

themselves, are steadily gaining ground

and are confident of success.

"We now have 2,000 friends well equipped

and more than 1,000 well mounted,"

says Madero, "who are willing to sacri-

fice their lives in the struggle for consti-

tutional government for the people and

by the people. Daily our ranks are grow-

ing, and with God's help we expect to

establish a real republic in Mexico." The

campaign has been well arranged, and

we are satisfied with results so far at-

tained."

Reduced Christmas Holiday Fares

Via Southern Railway.

AUSTRIAN DIPLOMAT

MAY RESIGN SOON

Baron Hengelmüller Accused

of Neglecting Compatriots.

WIFE RETURNS TO CAPITAL

Alleged Interview Reprinted from

New York Newspaper Criticizing

Washington Society Repudiated as

Being Fabrication—Smart Circles

Scout Statements Attributed to Her.

Vienna, Dec. 17.—It is rumored that Baron

Hengelmüller, Austrian Ambassador

to the United States, who was recently

criticized by the Austrian press on the

charge of neglecting the interests of his

compatriots in America, will resign

shortly.

Baroness Hengelmüller, wife of the Am-

bassador from Austria-Hungary, returned

from New York last evening, too ill to be

seen by any one, and retired immediately

to her apartments. It was said at the

embassy that the baroness was horrified

when she saw the alleged interview with

herself reprinted from a New York paper,

criticizing Washington and Washington

society, and repudiated it as being a fab-

rication. She and the Ambassador pro-

ferred to make no statement, other than

that the interview was a manufactured

one.

Doubted in Society.

Baroness Hengelmüller has lived in

Washington through many administrations,

and is known as a woman of brilliant

mind and accomplishments, and a

diplomat through and through. No one

who had ever known her or known of her

in Washington society believed it was

possible that she would have made

such statements. Baroness Hengelmüller

made her reputation long ago for tact and

diplomacy, and she is a woman who has

thoroughly enjoyed Washington society

as her brilliant entertainments have

proven. She has thrown the embassy

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DIX MAKES RECORD.

Governor-elect at Twenty-three Din-

ners in Week.

New York, Dec. 17.—A little hustling

got Gov.-elect Dix to the Saratoga Coun-

ty dinner to-night at the Waldorf-Astoria.

He had worked unceasingly

through three or four luncheons, several

teas of assorted colors, and two dinners

before his Saratoga neighbors got him.

When he arrived at the Waldorf, towed

by Democratic State Chairman Huppach

and Frank M. Patterson, he signed hap-

pily, and said it was good to get among

neighbors who didn't expect much in the

way of speechmaking.

Corporation Counsel Archibald S. Wat-

son referred to Mr. Dix as the com-

municant and unsundered bet of three

dinner in one week. This is the

governor-elect's record.

OFFICE FOR COL. STERETT.

Former Newspaper Man Now Texas

Game Commissioner.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 17.—Gov.-elect O. B.

Colquitt to-day offered the position of

State game, fish, and oyster commis-

sioner to Col. W. G. (Bill) Sterett, of

Dallas, and the latter accepted. He is

one of the veteran newspaper men in

Texas. He was formerly a Washington

correspondent.

Col. "Bill" Sterett is remembered as

a unique character when he lived in

Washington. He was one of the best

story tellers that ever visited the press

gallery, his tales furnishing much of the

material for Alfred Henry Lewis' Wal-

dorsville stories. He represented the Gal-

veston News in Washington when Lewis

was the correspondent of the Chicago

Times, and the two were inseparable.

He inherited a great deal of money

from the late Judge Holt, who was one

of his most ardent admirers, and left

Washington to edit the State column of

the Galveston News, and made that fea-

ture of the paper the most striking news

in the State.

He was a candidate for the Sixty-first

Congress, but was defeated by John

Ball.

Aside from his other characteristics

he was one of the best fishermen in

Washington, and spent much time at the

sport, one of his trophies as a fisher-

man being on view in a public place in

this city.

MAY REMODEL BRIDGE

TO LET WARSHIPS PASS

Boston, Dec. 17.—Whether the draw of the

bridge over the Fox River at Quincy Point

shall be widened to 100 feet or shall be left

at its present width of 150 feet, with the

possibility of its destruction by serious in-

jury when the great Dreadnought of the Ar-

gentine Republic tries to get through from

the Fox River Works, will be deter-

mined at a public hearing to be held before

the harbor and land commission next Wed-

nesday.

A margin of barely two feet will separate

the mountainous sides of the ship from the

sides of the draw if an attempt is made to

pass the ship through the bridge as at pre-

sent constructed. At the Fox River Com-

pany to-day it was said that while the Ar-

gentine ship cannot be considered impossi-

ble in any sense, it will probably take a part

of the bridge with it if it severs even

slightly in passing through the present draw.

McLEAN QUILTS RACE

FOR TOGA IN OHIO

John R. McLean, of Washington, is no

longer in the race for United States Sen-

ator in Ohio.

A campaign in his interest, begun some

weeks ago with a degree of hope and

promise and conducted with quiet, al-

most ominous aggressiveness, has been

brought to a halt.

His candidacy, which had not passed

the receptive stage altogether, but was

maturing rapidly, threatened no end of

political trouble for the Democratic party

in the Buckeye State, and Gov. Harmon

was made mindful of the painful fact

daily by mutterings and protests

throughout his own domain and warnings

from Democratic friends throughout the

country. It was regarded as a menace to

his ambition to reach the White House.

Wilson Sets an Example.

The governor was even advised to deal

with the situation, if necessary, as Dr.

Woodrow Wilson is courageously dealing

with the Smith Senatorial candidacy in

Jersey.

But recourse to summary and extreme

action did not become the only and un-

welcome alternative. Gov. Harmon's